

Finance and Government Operations Commission Meeting Minutes
Middletown, Connecticut
October 2, 2013
Municipal Building Room 208
5:00 P.M.

Present: Ronald Klattenberg, Joseph Bibisi, Hope Kasper, Philip Pessina, Carl Erlacher, Thomas Serra, William Russo, Captain John Lozefski, Robert Kronenberg, Michael Lepore, Gerald Goldberg, Linda Salafia, Sean Biel

Absent: None

Public Comments on the Agenda: None

1. Hope Kasper called the meeting to order and requested a motion to approve the minutes from the August 28, 2013 Finance and Government meeting. Thomas Serra made the motion to approve and Joseph Bibisi seconded; Philip Pessina abstained.
2. The following Departments have submitted items to be discussed:

Finance -- Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting awarded to Carl Erlacher, Director of Finance.

- Thomas Serra congratulated Carl and his staff for a job well done.

Police -- Grant Confirmation for Middletown Strategic Prevention State Incentive in the amount of \$5,000; Resolution to authorize replacement of Police Headquarters carpet with \$65,000 in LoCIP funds.

- Hope Kasper made the motion to approve and Philip Pessina seconded the \$5,000 state incentive grant to reinforce the underage drinking laws.
- Joseph Bibisi made the motion to approve and Phil seconded the replacing of damaged and worn carpet throughout Police Headquarters.

-Approved unanimously to send to Council Floor-

Parking -- Resolution to create two new expenditure lines totaling \$117,000 which is being allocated to Parking Fund from the General Fund 2013FY profit sharing

- Hope made the motion to approve the \$75,000 to replace the gates and payment system, Phil seconded.
- The second line requested in the parking fund is for \$42,000. Tom advised that they use option #2 stated in the memorandum given to F& G from Geen Thazampallath, Director of Parking.
- Hope requested a friendly amendment be made; stating that the consultant agrees that this will extend the life of the parking arcade.
- Ronald Klattenberg stated that he would be voting in opposition, this has been in dire need of repairs for years.
- Tom made the motion to approve and Phil seconded. Ron and Joe were both opposed.

-Send to Council Floor-

Fire – Resolution to authorize the update of Thermal Imaging Technology and purchase of two cameras with \$40,900 in LoCIP funds

- Robert Kronenberger discussed the need for both requests.
- Ron asked if these items should be under the CNR.
- Rob stated that he confirmed that they were to use LoCIP funding for these purchases.
- Joe made the motion to approve and Hope seconded.

Public Works – Resolution approving Public Works Department CNR Plan for 2013-14 totaling \$750,000; Ordinance authorizing the issue of \$750,000 of Bonds for 2013-14 CNR Plan

- Joe made the motion to approve and Hope seconded.

-Approved unanimously to send to Council Floor-

CNR Plan – NOT included in the agenda.

- The following items were mentioned and forwarded to the Council Floor.
- Tom asked to have an amendment made to the resolution; delete the license plate readers until next month.
- Phil made the motion to approve the deletion and Joe seconded.
- Approved unanimously.
- Tom also stated that they need to approve the grants.
- Tom made the motion to approve and Phil seconded.
- Ron discussed the State Historic Preservation Grant for \$172,300 which is to be used for the Eckersley- Hall renovation project. Also the \$15,809.50 grant from CL & P to install energy efficiency measures at the community/senior center.
- Ron explained the need to establish a new revenue line item for \$1,283,044.75. This is for the Tax Credits that have been reserved for the renovation of Eckersley- Hall, which can then be sold to CL & P.
- Phil made the motion to approve and Hope seconded.
- Approved unanimously.

Finance- Investment discussion with Gerry Goldberg from Wells Fargo

- Informational Only

Regular Reports – Information Only

- Transfer of Funds
- General Fund Appropriations
- City's Investments
- Monthly Expenditure Summary Report
- Tax Collection Recap Report
- Department Over-Time Reports

6. The next meeting is October 30, 2013 at 7pm in Room 208

Meeting Adjourned
Tracks: MZ0000010-23 (5:05- 6:50pm)

Respectfully
Submitted by,

Tracy Vess on behalf of Carl R. Erlacher